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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 7982

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MARR, TH

SUBJECT: PRESS PLAY: REDUCTION OF US FORCES IN THAILAND

REF: BANGKOK 7972

1. ARTICLE IN THE NATION MAY 3 ASCRIBED TO FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN DISCLOSURE THAT 11,500 US TROOPS WILL BE WITHDRAWN BY THE END OF JUNE.
  2. SAME STORY, HOWEVER, POINTED OUT THAT CHATCHAI QTE DECLINED TO MENTION THE NUMBER UNQTE INVOLVED IN FORTHCOMING PHASE OF REDUCTION. IT APPEARS CHATCHAI LED THE NATION TO CONCLUDE THE REDUCTION WILL INVOLVE 11,500 TROOPS WITHOUT ACTUALLY SAYING IT.
  3. ALONG WITH WIDELY REPORTED REUTERS DISPATCH, NOTED IN REFTTEL, FOREIGN MINISTER'S COMPULSIVE PROLIXITY AND EXAGGERATION ARE BUILDING PRESS ANTICIPATION FOR A DRAMATIC STATEMENT THAT IS LIKELY TO MAKE THE JOINT MAY 5 ANNOUNCEMENT A CONSIDERABLE DISAPPOINTMENT.
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